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To,

Honble Minister of Communications
Sanchar Bhavan
New Delhi.

Subject:- Formation of separate subsidiary Tower Company – reg.

Respected Sir,

It is respectfully submitted that “National Federation of Telecom Employees (BSNL)” is second recognized and representative union in the PSU and thousands of employees spread in the country are within its fold. The Cabinet decision of 5th August has created genuine apprehensions and anxieties amongst the non-executive employees who had taken absorption in BSNL only when the then NDA Govt, led by Shri Atal Behari Vajpai, Guaranteed Pension, Job security and financial viability of the entity. In no circumstances the workers expect the withdrawal of above guarantees sequel to formation of the Tower Company.

The DOT Vide No.-79-51/2013-SU, dt-14-08-2015 has circulated the Cabinet decision reproduced below, for members of the Inter-Ministerial Group.

“In principle” approval to the proposal for hiving off the telecom tower infrastructure of BSNL into a separate subsidiary company which will be fully owned by BSNL. Consequent to approval, Departmental of Telecommunications will constitute an interministerial Group consisting of representatives of DPE, DoPPW and DEA for working out the capital structure and organizational structure of the new company after market valuation of its tower assets holding for consideration of the Union Cabinet”.

The DOT has requested to economic affairs, Deptt of Pension and Deptt of Public Enterprise for nomination of joint Secretary Secy rank officers as members for Inter-Ministerial Group. It is evident from the Cabinet decision that the service conditions as well as the future of the employees will be affected. We are unable to understand that the Stake Holders viz BSNL Management and the recognized unions are not

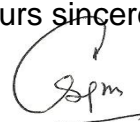
included for consultation with the Inter Ministerial Group. We are appalled to note the move of DOT as any unilateral decision on the organizational and capital structure of the subsidiary Company without including the BSNL may prove counter productive.

We, therefore, demand that the BSNL management be included in the Inter Ministerial Group and atleast the unions are taken into confidence by Inter Ministerial Group in order to prevent industrial unrest. The NDA Govt in year 2000, held meetings with the unions on the eve of corporatarisation.

We trust the submissions of the union will receive due consideration.

With esteemed regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chandeshwar Singh', with a large, sweeping initial 'C'.

(Chandeshwar Singh)
General Secretary